



# City of Highland Weekly Report

June 20, 2013

## Have a Safe and Fun Holiday Fourth of July Parade and Community Picnic

### Administration



**Fourth of July** - Don't get burned on Independence Day and leave the fireworks to the professionals. The City of Highland would like to remind residents that all fireworks (safe and sane included) are prohibited within the City of Highland City Limits. It is a violation to own, use or sell any type of fireworks within the City of Highland. Use of fireworks may result in a citation and fines up to \$500 or arrest.

Fireworks will be confiscated. Possession of explosive devices such as M-80's, M-1000's and rocket type fireworks is a felony. Individuals may be held liable for damages and parents may be held liable for damaged caused by their children, not only for the use of fireworks but for the cost for response by Police and Fire departments. Violators will be prosecuted, Highland Municipal Code Section 8.20.040.

There are many public fireworks displays planned throughout the area and the City of Highland urges residents to attend these celebrations. The City of Highland would like to wish all

residents and visitors a happy and safe Fourth of July Holiday.

**Please be aware - Fireworks are prohibited within the City Limits of Highland** but that doesn't mean you can't celebrate the Fourth of July! Join us in celebrating our Country's independence by attending the Chamber of Commerce's 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade followed by the Highland Family YMCA Community picnic.

Highland Independence Day Parade - Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup> starting at 9am. The parade route will begin west of Base Line (north side of the street) from Palm Avenue, south on Central Avenue ending at Highland Community Park.

Highland Independence Day Community Picnic - Thursday, July 4<sup>th</sup> at Highland Community Park, 27003 Hibiscus Street immediately following the conclusion of the Parade.

The picnic will feature the following activities free of charge -

- 1) DJ (Family Fun Music)
- 2) Co-Ed Adult Softball
- 3) Family Relay Races



- 4) Obstacle Course
- 5) Water Balloon Toss
- 6) Water Mellon Eating Contest
- 7) Water Wars
- 8) Icees & Pop Corn
- 9) Face Painting
- 10) Balloon Animals

**Emergency Preparedness - Water.** In a disaster, water supplies may be cut off or contaminated. Store enough water for everyone in your family to last for **at least 3 days.**



- Store one gallon of water per person, per day. Three gallons per person per day will give you enough to drink and for limited cooking and personal hygiene. Remember to plan for pets.

**If you store tap water:**

- Tap water from a municipal water system can be safely stored without additional treatment.
- Store water in food grade plastic containers, such as clean 2-liter soft drink bottles. Heavy duty, reusable plastic water containers are also available at sporting goods stores. Empty milk bottles are not recommended because their lids do not seal well and bottles may develop leaks.
- Label and store in a cool, dark place.
- Replace water at least once every six months.

**If you buy commercially bottled "spring" or "drinking" water:**

- Keep water in its original container, and don't re-store a bottle once it's been opened.
- Store in a cool, dark place.
- If bottles are not marked with the manufacturer's expiration date, label with the date and replace bottles at least once per year.

**Treating Water after Disaster:**

If you run out of stored drinking water, strain and treat water from your water heater or the toilet reservoir tank (except if you use toilet

tank cleaners). Swimming pool or spa water should not be consumed but you can use it for flushing toilets or washing.

**Treatment Process:**

Strain any large particles of dirt by pouring the water through layers of paper towels or clean cloth. Next, purify the water one of two ways:

- **Boil** - bring to a rolling boil and maintain for 3-5 minutes. After the water cools, pour it back and forth between two clean containers to add oxygen back; this will improve its taste.
- **Disinfect** - If the water is clear, add 8 drops (1/8 teaspoon) of bleach per gallon of water. If it is cloudy, add 16 drops (1/4 teaspoon) per gallon. Make sure you are using regular bleach— 5.25% percent sodium hypochlorite— rather than the "ultra" or "color safe" bleaches. Shake or stir, then let stand 30 minutes. A slight chlorine taste and smell is normal.

For more information on disaster preparedness, please visit [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov) or [www.72hours.org](http://www.72hours.org).

## Volunteer Services

**Highland Blood Drive Committee** - Do you like meeting new people? Are you good at making conversation? Join the Highland Blood Drive Committee. We need your help during community blood drives. Assistance is needed with set-up and clean-up, help with registration and in the canteen handing out snacks and keeping donor wait time. No experience is necessary. All that is needed is a good attitude and a great smile!

Join us at the next committee meeting on Monday, July 8 at Highland City Hall from 4pm to 5pm. Mark your calendars for the next Blood Drive...Monday, July 22, 2013 from 1:30pm to 6:30pm at the Highland Police Station.

For more information contact Volunteer Services at 909-864-6861 extension 203.

### Highland Improvement Team -

Neighbors and volunteers came together on Saturday to help improve the community. Residents living near 9th Street and Palm decided to improve the looks of their neighborhood by planting trees in a dirt parkway.



They received approval from the City to complete this project but needed a little help with the planting. Volunteers with the Highland Improvement Team helped residents finish digging a trench for the irrigation system, helped prep the holes for planting and learned the proper way to plant trees...courtesy of our Public Works Department. Twenty trees were planted that morning which improved the look and atmosphere of the neighborhood.

*The Highland Improvement Team goes "Dark" in July due to the summer heat. The next HIT project will be graffiti abatement on Saturday, August 17, 2013 from 7am to 11am. Please contact Volunteer Services to sign up for this project!*

As always...all volunteers are welcome to join. Anyone under 18 years old must be accompanied by an adult. Volunteers are required to provide their own transportation to and from each project site.

For more information and/or to sign up please contact Volunteer Services at 909-864-6861 extension 203.

**Fire Station - Open House.** Fire Station #1 will host an Open House on Saturday, June 22nd from 9am to 2pm. The community is invited to come down and meet your local Firefighters, tour the Fire Station and view the equipment used during emergency calls...including the Fire Engines! This is a unique opportunity to get a behind the scenes look at your City Fire House. In addition, Firefighters will be on hand to

answer any questions you may have and offer blood pressure readings.

Fire Station #1 is located at 26974 Base Line, located directly across the street from the Highland Police Station. Hope to see you there!

## Library News

**Tale of Enchantment Summer Reading Program 2013.** This summer, join the San Bernardino County Library as they reward you for reading. This program will run thru Friday July 19, 2013 and is available to children and young adults (ages 12-18). How does it work? Sign up for Summer Reading Program, check out books from the library and read! When you finish reading a library book, log your progress in your reading log and take a trip to the Highland Sam J. Racadio Branch Library to pick up your rewards.

Don't forget to visit us weekly to receive your rewards and enjoy our special programs throughout the summer. To get further information on the Children and Young Adult Summer Reading Program Guidelines please visit the Highland Sam J. Racadio Library and Environmental Learning Center at 7863 Central Ave Highland, CA or call 909-425-4700.

### Free Children's Programs

One World Rhythm  
Wednesday, June 26, 2013  
6:00PM

Good Eats!  
Wildlife Company  
Wednesday, July 03, 2013  
6:00PM

Chazz's Drum Circle  
Wednesday, July 10, 2013  
6:00PM

The Buster Balloon Show  
Wednesday, July 17, 2013  
6:00PM

Free Young Adult Programs

Dream Reading Workshop  
Friday, June 21, 2013  
4:00PM

Who Am I? Card Game  
Wednesday, June 26, 2013  
4:00PM

Balloon Twisting Workshop  
Annie Banannie  
Friday, June 28, 2013  
4:00PM

Tiny Book Craft  
Wednesday, July 3, 2013  
4:00PM

Mad Science with Mr. Science  
Friday, July 5, 2013  
4:00PM

String Doll Class  
Wednesday, July 10, 2013  
4:00PM

Juggling Workshop  
Friday, July 12, 2013  
4:00PM

Furry Freak Bracelet Craft  
Wednesday, July 17, 2013  
4:00PM

Good Eats-Live Animal Show  
Friday, July 19, 2013  
4:00PM

## Public Services



**Repete's Wisdom of the Week - Crayola ColorCycle, Turn Crayola Markers into Energy!** Crayola and schools across North America are banding together to help kids understand the importance of their role in protecting the environment. That's why we are launching Crayola ColorCycle. Through this initiative, students in K-12 schools across the continental United States and parts of Canada can collect used markers and send them to a conversion facility where they will be transformed into clean-burning fuel.

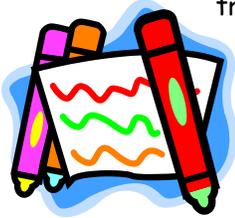
ColorCycle is also a great opportunity for teachers and their students to explore eco-friendly practices. In addition to the "magic" of marker-to-energy conversion, specially developed standards-based lesson plans are available to enrich instruction and promote lively class discussions.

**4 Easy Steps to an Eco-Cool School!** Participating in ColorCycle with your school is as easy as 1-2-3-4!

1. **Engage & Educate:** Inform your school administrators or PTO/PTA about participating in the ColorCycle program.
2. **Collect & Count:** Set up a collection station in your school for used markers. Count up all the markers.
3. **Pack & Print:** Pack markers in a cardboard box (with minimal outer markings). Print out a shipping label.
4. **Ship & Smile:** FedEx Ground will pick up the markers — Crayola pays all shipping charges! Finally, smile - you just saved the planet!

**Crayola ColorCycle Process** -The process can convert plastic markers into usable fuel. Here's how it works:

Plastic markers are collected by schools and sent to the energy conversion site. At the facility, the markers are collected in a large container, where the plastic is melted. The hot liquid plastic then



travels into a reactor, where the temperature is even higher. The reactor breaks the long molecular chains into shorter ones as a result of the intense heat. The shorter molecules become a gas or vapor and float

out of the reactor into a cold chamber. The vapor is cooled to room temperature and turns into a clean-burning liquid fuel. The fuel can then be used to heat a home, run a car or cook food. For more information on the program and how to get started please visit the following website [www.crayon.com/colorcycle.aspx](http://www.crayon.com/colorcycle.aspx)

## Community Development

**Planning Commission determination:** At its June 18, 2013, regular Meeting, the Commission considered the following Items:

1. An Accessory Sign Review Application (ASR-013-016) requesting the Planning Commissions consideration of a New Building Mounted Sign for Our Favorite Things Furniture Store. The address is 25494 Base Line. The Assessor Parcel Nos.: 0273-253-28 & 18 -0000. Representative: Maria Hernandez, Business Owner.

The Planning Commission Approved a Proposed Sign Application (ASR-013-016) for a New Building Mounted Sign, subject to Conditions of Approval, and Adopt Findings of Facts.

The Application may now proceed forward in the process.

2. A Staff Review Application (SRP-013-013) submitted by Elite Furniture Store for a

Permanent Outdoor Sale and Display in front of an existing Commercial Building. The Project is located at 25608 Base Line, an approximate 0.68 gross acre parcel located on the northwest corner of Base Line and Mira Vista Avenue just west of Sterling Avenue. (APN: 0273-261-08-0000). Representative: Mau Pham, Business Owner.

The Planning Commission Approved Staff Review Permit (SRP-013-013) for a Permanent Outdoor Sales and Display Area, as proposed with provisions; and Adopted Finding of Facts.

The Application may now proceed forward in the process.

**Speaking of the Planning Commission... New Chairman / Vice Chairman elected.** At its June 18, 2013, Planning Commission Regular Meeting, the Commission went through the election process and selected a new Chairman and Vice Chairman. The Commission elected Randall Hamerly as Chairman and John Gamboa as Vice Chairman. This is Randy's fifth time as Chairman and John's third time as Vice Chair. Staff is continuing to looking forward working with Randy and John in their positions. Congratulations, Gentlemen!!!

## Finance

**Commercial Business License Applications** - There was one new commercial business license application, Konstruki located at 27141 E. Base Line St., Ste-4, for the week of 06/17/13 to 06/21/13.

## Mark Your Calendar



**Saturday, June 22, 2013**

9am to 2pm - Open House at Fire Station #1 - 26974 Base Line, Highland

**Tuesday, June 25, 2013**

4:30pm - Public Works Subcommittee Meeting,  
Upright Conference Room

5pm - Special City Council Meeting, Donahue  
Council Chambers

5:30pm - Closed Session City Council Meeting,  
Donahue Council Chambers

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Donahue  
Council Chambers

**Tuesday, July 2, 2013**

Planning Commission Meeting - Canceled

**Thursday, July 4, 2013**

Fourth of July Holiday - City Offices are  
closed

**Monday, July 8, 2013**

4pm to 5pm - Blood Drive Committee Meeting  
Highland City Hall - 27215 Base Line, Highland

**Tuesday, July 9, 2013**

City Council Meeting - Dark

**Wednesday, July 10, 2013**

4pm - Public Nuisance Hearing Board Regular  
Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

**Thursday, July 11, 2013**

5pm - Community Trails Committee Regular  
Meeting is cancelled

**Tuesday, July 16, 2013**

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting,  
Donahue Council Chambers

**Monday, July 22, 2013**

1:30pm to 6:30pm - Blood Drive, Highland Police  
Station - 26985 Base Line, Highland

**Tuesday, July 23, 2013**

City Council Meeting - Dark

**Thursday, August 1, 2013**

5pm - Historic and Cultural Preservation Board  
Regular Meeting, Donahue Council Chambers

**Tuesday, August 6, 2013**

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting,  
Donahue Council Chambers

**Thursday, August 8, 2013**

5pm - Community Trails Committee Regular  
Meeting is cancelled

**Tuesday, August 13, 2013**

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Donahue  
Council Chambers

**Tuesday, August 20, 2013**

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting,  
Donahue Council Chambers

**Tuesday, August 27, 2013**

6pm - Regular City Council Meeting, Donahue  
Council Chambers

**Monday, September 2, 2013**

Labor Day Holiday - City Offices are closed

**Tuesday, September 3, 2013**

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting,  
Donahue Council Chambers

**Thursday, September 12, 2013**

5pm - Community Trails Committee Regular  
Meeting is cancelled

**Tuesday, September 17, 2013**

6pm - Planning Commission Regular Meeting,  
Donahue Council Chambers

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